

REMARKS

In the outstanding office action, claims 1, 7 and 13-26 were presented for examination. Applicant notes with appreciation the allowance of Claims 13-26.

In this amendment, applicant has canceled claims 1 and 7.

Remaining allowed claims 13-26 have been reviewed and minor clarifying amendments have been made. In particular, a typographical error has been corrected in claim 13 paragraph (i). Redundancy between paragraphs (c) and (g) has been removed and the remaining paragraphs renumbered. A voice recognition computer error in claim 17, paragraphs (j) and (k) has been corrected and the language of the paragraphs conformed to each other to make them more definite. A new claim 27 containing all the limitations of allowed claim 17 has been added. This claim introduces no new issues because it is a dependent claim limiting allowed claim 17 and is comprised, in any case, of the limiting language also contained in allowed claims 21 and 22, both of which also depend from claim 17 individually.

In view of the above amendments, it is believed that the present application is now clearly in condition for allowance. Such action is most earnestly solicited. If for any reason the examiner believes that consultation with applicant's attorney will be useful in advancing the prosecution of this case, the examiner is respectfully invited to telephone the undersigned to address any remaining issues.

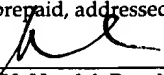
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